

Armed Forces

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Specialist Andicocha is a gunner in Company D, 1st Airborne Battle Group of the 101st Airborne Division's 502nd Infantry at Fort Campbell, Ky.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Roman Andicocha, 4231 W. 177th St., he is a graduate of North High School and attended El Camino College.

His wife, Judy, lives in Clarksville, Tenn.

Army Specialist Four Thomas L. Simmons, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Simmons, 1428 W. 252nd St., Harbor City, has finished four weeks of participation in Exercise Swift Strike III, a U.S. Strike Command exercise in Georgia and North and South Carolina involving more than 75,000 armed forces personnel.

Swift Strike III pitted two task forces against each other in a four-week mock war that included airborne maneuvers, long-distance airlifts, air-ground support missions and counter-guerrilla operations.

Specialist Simmons, regularly assigned as a heavy-truck driver in the 670th Transportation Company at Fort Hood, Tex., entered the Army in August 1961 and received training at Fort Hood.

Simmons was graduated from Roseburg (Ore.) High School in 1956.

Staff Sergeant Donald S. Gibson of Torrance is being reassigned to Vandenberg AFB following his graduation from the United States Air Force technical training course for missile instrument specialists at Lowry AFB, Colo.

Sergeant Gibson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd D. Gibson of 4573 W. 147th St., Hawthorne, received instruction in the use of electrical and electronic equipment in measuring the performance of guided missile systems.

The sergeant, a graduate of Torrance High School, is married to the former Thelma A. Lake of Torrance.

Airman Third Class Robert J. Carpenter of Lomita is being reassigned to Lockbourne AFB, Ohio, following his graduation from the United States Air Force technical training course for plumbing specialists at Sheppard AFB, Tex.

Airman Carpenter learned to install and repair conventional plumbing systems and the more specialized heating, compressed air, and petroleum systems required at Air Force installations.

Army PFCs Stanley M. Jacobs, Michael McDonald, and Perry K. Gather recently participated in Exercise Swift Strike III, a U.S. Strike Command exercise in Georgia, North and South Carolina. The mock war games ended Aug. 16.

Jacobs, son of G. I. Jacobs of Redondo Beach, is regularly stationed at Ford Hood, Tex. He and his wife live in Texas.

McDonald is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. McDonald of Rollings Hills. The 25-year-old soldier is a graduate of Redondo Union High School.

Gather, the son of Cecil J. Gather of Lomita, and Mrs. Helen R. Sutton of Pima, Ariz., was employed by U. S. Gypsum in Torrance before entering the Army.

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